

# Opportunity Funding Combined application for Flexible funding and Mental Health and/or Reading funding

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**Funding Period: Fiscal Year 2023** 

**Opportunity Funding** 

Directed Funds for students identified as English Learners and students from low-income households

Application deadline: July 29,2022

**Purpose:** Senate Bill 56 of the 151st General Assembly codified the Opportunity Fund, an additional source of education funding for Delaware public schools intended to support the increased needs of low income and English learner students, and established the parameters for how the funding is to be distributed and the usages reported. Epilogue language in the annual appropriations Act provides further parameters regarding usage and allocation.

For FY23, this is a combined school-based application for both the Flexible funding and Mental Health and/or Reading funding (if applicable) allocations.

#### **Appropriation Allocation Method:**

Flexible Funding - \$30 Million to be allocated. LEAs will receive school-based allocations at \$616.35 per English learner (EL) and \$616.35 per low-income (LI) student. LEAs shall have flexibility in the use of these funds to enhance services to EL and LI students, including using these funds to cover 100% of personnel costs for associated staff, contractual services, supplies and materials, or other expenditures deemed necessary to provide additional supports to these populations. Staff may include, but not be limited to, personnel dedicated to improving reading comprehension and math proficiency, or who provide additional wrap-around services or mental health supports. Funding allocations shall be made available to LEAs upon the passage of the FY23 budget so that in early July LEAs may begin to hire staff, procure instructional materials, execute contracts for services, and plan for the upcoming school year.

Mental Health and/or Reading - \$8 million to be apportioned to schools which meet the following criteria based on prior year unit count: (1) a grade configuration containing kindergarten through fourth grade and (2) greater than or equal to 30% Low income and/or greater than or equal to 10% English learner enrollment. These funds for mental health support shall be in the form of school counselors, school social workers or licensed clinical social workers, school psychologist and/or for additional reading supports for grade K-5. Services may include the employment of staff, where such funding may be used to cover 100% of personnel costs on a 10-12-month basis and/or contracted services.

All districts shall be authorized to assess a local match to provide for the local costs associated with this appropriation.

#### Accountability:

For FY23, local school boards shall allocate not less than 98% of the total allocation it receives generated by a specific school to that school. A local school board that wishes to allocate the funds in a different manner may do so in accordance with 14 Del. C. §1704(4).

Districts and charter schools shall submit an annual report to the Department of Education on the use of the funds no later than January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year detailing how each school expended the funds earned and total expenditures by school, and make those reports publicly available on their website.

Metrics: Academic growth, progress toward English language proficiency (ELP) and mathematics proficiency, and reduction in chronic absenteeism.

In addition to the accountability measure data, the Delaware Department of Education (DDOE) will provide support by offering:

- Toolkits on evidence-based best practices for improving outcomes for EL and low-income students.
- Guidance for selecting high quality instructional materials.
- Technical support enabling LEAs to take a comprehensive look at their funding streams in order to maximize and coordinate them.
- · Professional learning provided by content experts.
- Sharing best practices in a variety of ways including regular meetings with curriculum directors, chiefs/principals, social media and presentations.

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### **District/Charter Information**

Campus Community School			
DISTRICT/CHARTER STREET ADDRESS:	CITY:	ZIP CODE:	
350 Pear St.	Dover	19904	

CONTACT NAME: Heidi Greene	CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: 302-736-0403
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heidi.greene@ccs.k12.de.us	

School Name	Flexible Funding	Total Flex LEA	Mental Health and/or Reading	Total MH and/or Reading LEA
(573) Campus Community School	\$106,012.00		\$68,990	
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### Investment and Goals by SCHOOL

Provide additional detail about the plan in the chart by school for each Opportunity Funding investment with its associated cost and proposed impact. These charts should be copied and completed for each school receiving funds. For each investment, include baseline data and numeric targets to measure impact. A state budget sheet will be completed by the district/charter after the plan has been approved.

SCHOOL NAME:						
Campus Community School						
SCHOOL STREET ADDRESS: 350 Pear St.	CITY: Dover	ZIP CODE: 19904				
330 Fedi St.	Dover	13304				
School Contact Information						
CONTACT NAME:		CONTACT PHO	NE NU	MBER:	8	
Heidi Greene	302-736-0403	302-736-0403				
CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS:						
heidi.greene@ccs.k12.de.us						
Will 98% of flexible funding remain allo	cated to this school?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No	
Will 98% of mental health and/or read	ing funds remain allocated to this school?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No	

Flexible Funding Investment (05297)	Cost	Expected Impact  (Explain the expected impact of this investment and how you will measure effectiveness.)	Continued Opp. Funding investment from 2021-22?
EXAMPLE: Hire full time 1 social worker	\$42,000		

Full time Special Ed teacher /Math specialist	\$70,000 \$71,664.40	to all educators on the integration of content and language. The expected impact is a change in teacher practice, based on classroom walkthroughs, ultimately leading to increased outcomes on both content assessments and ACCESS ELP targets.  Based on our 21-22 population, 68% of students qualified for free or reduced lunch. Many of these students demonstrated low scores in Math on their report card, STAR, and SBAC. This teacher will focus on low income students struggling in Math. She will be scheduled into math classes at 4th-8th grade to provide additional supports, as well as be part of the MTSS interventionist group for Math. The expected impact is for	
2 part-time paraprofessionals	\$34,347.60	these students to increase their confidence and competency in math.  The paras will be assigned to high-needs classrooms to help provide more specialized instruction and support, specifically in the areas of reading, math, and social/emotional behaviors.  The expected impact is to increase academic, behavioral, and social/emotional growth for EL and low income students.	×

Mental Health and/or Reading (if applicable) (05311)  School Counselor School Social Worker Licensed Clinical Social Worker School Psychologist Reading Supports	Cost (hired or contracted, if applicable)	Expected Impact	Continued Opp. Funding investment from 2021-22?
e.g., School Counselor (partial funding)	\$39,094 (Hired)		
School Social Worker	\$68,990 (Hired)	This position will assist in supporting the overall mental health of our EL and low-income students including things like coping skills, family crisis situations, depression, self-confidence, and positive peer interactions.	

#### **Assurances and Signatures**

The applicant assures that:

Chief School Officer: Heidi Greene

As the chief school officer of the district or charter school, I am authorized to submit for the funds identified in this form. I am also authorized to obligate the district or charter school to conduct any activity approved under this form in accordance with all applicable state requirements, including statutory, regulatory, and program specific requirements. The information contained in it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. By submitting this form, I acknowledge that I understand and agree to abide by all applicable requirements.

Signature: Audi Greene Date: 8-8-32
As the business manager of the district or charter school, I am authorized to submit the budget(s) and financial information contained in this form. I have read this form and reviewed the financial information contained in this form. The information contained in this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have reviewed and approved the submission of the budget(s) for the form. By submitting this form, I acknowledge that I understand and agree to abide by all applicable requirements.
Signature:
By signing this form, I am approving the plan and budget proposal submitted by the district or charter.  Cora L. Scott, Deputy Secretary of Education  8/10/22
Signature: